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By uniting we stand, by dividing we fall. Then join in hands, brave Americans ail.

#### WRONG AGAIN

A T CITY HALL it is announced that a new electric pump has been ordered, that a new boiler will be ordered, and that George W. Fuller has been will be consultation on the water situation.

Now only one of these things is proper at the present time—the last. It will be weeks, perhaps months, before we can get either pump or boiler, even if the city is able to get a priority order. In the meantime we will have to limp along in some fashion, so we might just as well limp along a few days more and wait until Mr. Fuller takes a look at the situation and gives the city the benefit of his expert knowledge in the matter of ordering new equip-

#### WATER DEPARTMENT METHODS.

HE BOARD OF AFFAIRS takes exception to the statement in yesterday's issue of The West Virginian that the Water department is run at a profit which is eaten sers go so far as to say that the Water department, instead of being a money earner, has actually been conductbelieve that while the city authorities are in consultation with George W. Fuller, the eminent authority upon municipal water systems, regarding the engineering phase of Fairmont's water supply difficulties, it might also ask him to bring the business methods of the department abreast of to admit at the present time. the most approved practice. Mr. Fuller will be able to say authoritatively whether or not the department is making money, and no one will dispute his word.

But whether the Water department is a money maker or a money loser does not make much difference right now. It all comes out of the pockets of the citizens in one way or another anyhow. The big question is whether or not the city government has been pursuing a penny wise and pound foolish policy with regard to the water works. And upon that point there does not seem to be much difference of opinion outside the municipal building. To put the matter mildly, the town is seething with indignation over the disclosures regarding the run down condition which the pumping station was permitted to get into. For that the whole city commission, and not just the head of the Water department, must stand responsible unless the other commissioners are prepared to say that the matter of repairs and replacements at the pumping station never came up for consideration.

It is no new thing for a water department suddenly to drop into the money losing class after having had a long record of efficiency. The West Virginian can think of several such without any particular tax upon the memory. It is rather a common incident in a country where city growth is as rapid as it frequently is in the United States, for a water department suddenly to prove inadequate for the load it is asked to carry. But we venture the assertion that it is extremely rare, if indeed it is not unprecedented, for the water system of a town of 20,000 or more people simply to quit functioning. It is upon this that The West Virginian bases its belief that the Board of Affairs has been extremely short sighted in the management of the the candidates.—Guyan Valley Thunderer,

water supply of the city.

Suppose electric pumps do cost a lot of money, or that spare boilers mean money expended which does not make any return to the taxpayers? The big thing to consider in a matter of this kind is the public health. However, if the Commissioners insist upon keeping it upon a dollars and cents basis, do they think that the cost of a complete duplicate pumping plant would come anywhere near equalling the money that has been lost because of the failure of the water supply by the industrial establishments of the city during the past week? If they do they have an entirely inadequate conception of the industrial side of this

#### INTELLIGENT FARMING

N THESE days when public attention is concentrated upon the heroic deeds of American lads on the battlefields of France, and water famines at home, items like that of yesterday which chronicled a visit of 60 Marion county farmers to the state experimental farms at Morgantown are not apt to attract much attention. Nevertheless, there was not much in yesterday's issue of The West Virginian that was of larger importance.

When Marion county farmers can be persuaded to go to the College of Agriculture, even if it is only for a visit of a few hours, it is an indication that interest in the right kind of farming is picking up in this county. Intelligent farming is going to be a very profitable business during the next eight or ten years. There is going to be a ready demand for anything that is grown on a West Virginia farm, and the prices are going to be good.

But it is going to take really capable farming to make it pay, even at the prices that will be realized. That formal reception at their home in East is what makes such things as visits to Morgantown im- Main street Monday evening in honor portant. The more visits to Morgantown and the more of their guests, Rev. and Mrs. J. E. interest in farming as a modern business using science and Roberts, of Westfield, N. Y., Mr. and up to date methods as its aids, the more farmers who will be able to ride around in automobiles, send their sons evening intersperse with music was and daughters to college and buy pedigreed stock.

It was announced at Washington yesterday that because of the increasing demands from the emergency fleet, the army and the navy, the shipments of coal to New England are falling alarmingly behind schedule. The mere official mention of that should put the mining | Monday evening in honor of Miss Marindustry and the railroads of this district up on their garet Egbert, who has been the guest toes as never before. It is part of our job to coal New of her aunt, Mrs. A. C. Perry in Beat England. We could do much better than we have been doing if the transportation situation was better, but City, Pa. even so, every individual from the largest operator down to the humblest boy should remember every day that unless the mines in this section of the bituminous field, and especially of the Fairmont producing district, do their level best all the time there is going to be suffering in the New England states next winter.

Four hundred businessmen attended the meeting and many other relatives and friends held in Pittsburgh yesterday to perfect plans for the cooperation of the manufacturing interests of the Pittsburgh industrial zone with the government for war pur- grove near the Shaw home. During poses. It is evident that the manufacturers of this sec- the day it was decided to make the retion of the country are getting into the war in carnest, union a permanent annual affair for It is also evident to any one who takes the trouble to give that phase of it a bit of thought that the present co- tember of 1919, and continuing each operation, undertaken for patriotic purposes, is going to September thereafter. Officers were change manufacturing and business for the better after elected as follows: James Shaw, the war. The concerns that take the most active part in president; Harry F. Barbe, secretary; helping the government to win the war will be in best position to help themselves when the war is over.

At Washington it is said that no official reports Mrs. Brookover is quite ill at the up in the other departments of the government. The com- | bearing upon the reported severance of relations be- home of Mrs. Lee Hawkins, of Burt tween Turkey and the Central powers had been received, Hill. but the best posted officials there would not be surprised ed at a loss. It seems to be a matter about which different to find that the break has occurred. Turkey is beginning In a card to a friend in Mannington. ns of accounting lead to different conclusions. We to realize that she bet on the wrong horse in this race, Private Sam J. Allison, a former and maybe she would not be averse to changing sides if the proper inducements were offered. We suspect that they know more in certain offices in the capital about what is going on in Constantinople than they are willing

> Individually and in fighting organizations the American troops are proving in the only kind of a test that counts that they are better than the picked soldiers of Prussia and Bavaria. Knowing as they do that there are literally millions more of them on the way, that thought probably is causing no end of uneasiness to the members of the German General staff.

Six American congressmen have been under fire Ammons, Fairview; Cecil Shultz, Hunin the famous Marne salient. The superintendent of he government printing office had better order an additional typesetting machine or two for the Congressional Record equipment.

### SHORT AND SNAPPY

With over a million fighting troops in Europe, and thousands going over every month, the Kaiser will begin to believe that somebody lied to him a year ago .-Weston Independent.

The American farmer promises large crops this year in spite of the very serious depletion of farm labor. Reuben has been working as never before and he will conspicuous when the time comes to pass the laurels. We do not happen to know any other class, except the oldiers, who are playing their part as well.—Spencer imes Record.

Working and fighting are the two things that will win the war. Predictions are of no value and wishes are absolutely worthless.-West Virginia News.

While we are appealed to to keep politics out of the war, we demand that the war be kept out of politics by

World looks brighter today in spite of the fact that the sun does not shine.

There's water in most of the pipes amin, hooray, hooray!

Darsed good thing too, for the water | months ago and will have to stay out merchants were getting their prices of politics this year of go to jail, up to the point where it was hard to whether they were offering water or boose,

Why is ft that every one always charges all the traffic will bear in

Must be in the air.

Today it is juice that is short.

In this town life really is just one daraed thing after another.

But cheer up; that is merely a signi of rapid growth. Even the high prices.

And during the excitement Prof. Legelw dropped out of sight.

He was waiting for that chance

since Kaiser Bill started the war.

### New York city officials are asking army exemptions for the cops of that

Probably on the ground that there is fighting enough to do right at home.

At that the finest are better off than the police of Philadelphia which were "taken over" by the Navy department

And that takes all the joy out of the life of most policemen,

Staying out of politics, we mean.

日本の日本 Great political show down only five days off.

before the candidates will know whether or not the guys they have signed up stayed put.

But if it is anything like it was two

er in he world is being built by the was safe, the other said he was out United States. It will have 180,000 horsepower and a speed of 35 knots. on this decision,

It is estimated that 1,000 negro score in Monday's paper. Thanking women in Biringham, Ala., and vicin- you in advance, we remain, Nothing stupider has been pulled ity are now engaged in manual labor formerly done by men.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SAYS SCORE WAS A TIE. LUMBERPOR, July 30 .- [Editor The West Virginian]-Please correct the score published in Monday's West Virginian between Baxter and Lumberport the score was 1 to 1. Two out in 10 inning when Lumberport team left the field. The play occurred as follower One man was out and one runner for Baxter was on 3rd base. You don't have to work in jail When batter hit ball to fence runner started home before staying on 3rd base to see if ball was caught. C. J. Wooster made a bare handed catch of the ball, throwed ball in to in field. The ball was played home then back to 3rd where runer tried to go back when some of the Baxter boys had years ago it will be a week after that caught hold of the runer and made him go back to 3rd. This put the runner out according to the rules for no one is allowed to touch runner after he becomes a runner only in trying The largest and fastest battile cruis- to put hi mout. The umpire said he so the Lumberport team left the field

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## What People Say

and Some Side Remarks

The delegation of eastern bankers making an inspection of the property of the Monongahela Valley Traction Company were taken from Fairmont to the Country Club at noon Tuesday through a hard rain. The autos were without curtains and the visitors as well as business men of the Monongahela Valley got just a little damp. The Country Club was a comfy haven from the storm but one buinges man (name

deleted by censor) observed: "I wish probibition was adjourned for about fifteen minutes."

G. B. Stewart, state inspector of weights and measures says:

"At the time that West Virginia went dry there were 1,300 inhabitants of the state penitentiary and since that time the popula-tions has decreased 560." Mr. Stewart says he got the information from a guard at Moundsville.

### MANNINGTON

Holds Reception.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira W. Davis entertained a large number of friends at an in Mrs. R. L. Roberts and Miss Whittlesey, of Erie, Pa. A pleasant social enjoyed by the guests. Miss Lois Clark and Mrs. Roy F. Alder assisted in the dining room.

Entertains Friends. Miss Virginia Shaw entertained a

party of young ladies at her home on ty avenue for the past few wee'rs, and who returns today to her home

Shaw Reunion.

A reunion of the Shaw family was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Shaw at Grangeville last Sunday. A large number of guests were present, the gathering including children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of the family. A very enjoyable day hostess. Dinner was served in the all persons connected with the Shaws in the vicinity, beginning with Sep-Leslie Mills, treasurer, and Clifford Duvall, of Fairmont, historian.

Mrs. Brookover III.

In France.

Sowers Pottery employe here, now of the U. S. army, states that he has arrive safely in France.

Hotel Arrivals.

Bartlett-W. R. Stewenson, Wheeling; S. O. Armstrong, West Alexanler, Pa.; B. S. Evans, Norfolk, Va.; 3. G. Wright, Clarksburg; E. P. Eavenon. Philadelphia.

Wells-L. J. Lilly, Parkersburg; J. Judson, Dunkirk, N. Y.; logers, Elkins: Mrs. Opal Stallings latun, Canal Zone, Panama; C. F. Polhamus, Fairview; J. W. Bunting, Sistersville; J. D. Jarrett, Clarksburg; C. C. Parker, B. B. Ammons, E. E. ired; Jessie Sturnes, Downs.

Personals.

Orion D. Nutter returned Monday rom a business visit in Lexington, Ky. Mrs. John F. Blackwood has returnto her home in Fairmont after a visit

McConley D Bartlett Ola Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Glover and Mrs. Bury Mrs Frank J Michael Clark

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July 30th, 1918.

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Retiable Advertisin

## How Big Is A Dollar? Dollars A Biggest In Suit Section on Friday-August 2nd .

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During the month of August the final sale of spring and Summer Suits on Friday-August the Second is but the first of a series of August Cleanup events.

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George Everhart, of Fairmont, were

recent guests of the latter's father, J.

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itor in Shinnston on Monday.

a month's vacation.

Steubenville, Ohio.

Anderson Arthur

Alexander G H

Anderson L H

Bonnie Miss (2)

Bunn Miss Ellen

Bradley Chas.

Allen Albert

an automobile trip to Ohio cities.

L. King, and family.

burg street.

### Courtneys'

Brown Miss Zela Biggs Fred Moss Archie Berry Anna

J. M. Maupin left Monday evening Coddington R T for a visit with relatives in Washing-Clossin Boss Cardia Dominoce Mrs. William Humes, of Steuben-Clishian William ville, Ohio, arrived Monday evening for a visit with relatives in Clarks-Debussey Maud Dunlap Willie

Brown Mrs E.

Mrs. Samuel Evans and daughter Drennen Clara (3) Nestor Karl are guests of relatives in Clarksburg. Mrs. Dora Weaver left yesterday for Devall Mrs J M a visit with her brother, Will R. Bas-Eldge Susan nett and family in Mount Vernon, O. Emerick Wm Harry J. Haught was a business vis-Eichman Alex A Floyd Mary

Floyd Armenia Charles Phillips has returned from Fox Miss Lura Funderburg Mrs Rev. J. V. Kooniz, pastor of the First Della (4) Presbyterian church, left Monday for

Myrtle Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Clayton and Foster Bess daughter, Miss Jane, will leave this week for a short visit with relatives Green Mrs Mary in Maryland. Mrs. J. R. Cook and

Gilmore Lonza daughter of Fairmont, will accompany Gettes Jack Graves Jaunita Mrs. Russell Snodgrass left this Goodlow Helen Grins Alia

morning for a visit with friends in George Miss Artic Reed Edd Grenwitt Willis Gains Lydia Hymic Mr

LETTER LIST List of unclaimed letters remaining in the Fairmont, West Virginia, Post Office for the week ending July 27, Austin Arthur H Lowe Virgil

Layhue Persill Liberato A Lahuer Mrs Logan Henry McCormick Mary McCormick Miss

Hartley Guy Homan Geo A Hill Jennie Hoover Miss Grace sie Holland A C Hiser Pansy

Hovart John H Jackson Dora Jeffrins George Jackson Will Johnson Miss Eth-

Mitchell Dr A Hammond Morrison Lecoria Miller William M Minerd John L Metz Miss Opal Meriweather Iren Meyers Elmer

Dillion Miss Helen Nichols Mrs Wal-Oldyke Edith Park Frank B Poindexter Mrs Paulain Mrs Mary Pinnell W M

Palfrey Miss Ruda Bazil Gypson Mrs Rosa Ridgeway Miss Marie Reynolds Mrs F M Russell E Rhoads Mrs Har-

> Rowland Herbert Romino Anthony Sooman Ray Smith Harry Shaver Miss Josephine

Satterfield Miss El-Husted Mrs Jennie Snyder Marie Stockton Tom Sayer Miss Pearl Higginbotham Lou-Sheets Jessie Smith Mr and Mrs

L C Travis Miss Nellie Taylor Mrs Ella Tucker Mary Veasy Lular

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